



The Nutcracker

Goh Ballet's iconic *The Nutcracker* returns to the stage in downtown Vancouver for the 2016 Holiday Season

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Vancouver, B.C. – One of British Columbia's most iconic traditions graces the stage once again this holiday season as Goh Ballet's *The Nutcracker* returns to The Centre in Vancouver for a limited run from December 15th to 20th, 2016. Tickets are currently available through Ticketmaster.

Under the leadership of Executive Producer Chan Hon Goh, former Prima Ballerina with the National Ballet of Canada and the artistic staging of Emmy-award winning choreographer Anna-Marie Holmes, *The Nutcracker* returns for its eighth year of spectacular magic and fun for the whole family.

"In eight short years, Goh Ballet's The Nutcracker has quickly become a not-to-be-missed holiday tradition for thousands of families from across the Lower Mainland," says Chan Hon Goh, Executive Producer of *The Nutcracker*. *"Come join our cast of hundreds of local and international performers as we take you away on a magical journey with Clara and her beloved Nutcracker."*

Goh Ballet's *The Nutcracker* will feature performances by internationally renowned principal dancers from the prestigious National Ballet of Canada, **Jurgita Dronina** and **Guillaume Côté**, performing together as the Sugar Plum Fairy and the Cavalier Prince. Members of the Vancouver Opera Orchestra will provide live musical accompaniment of Tchaikovsky's world-renowned *Nutcracker Suite*.

Running nightly from December 15th to 20th, with matinee performances as well on weekends, *The Nutcracker* is sure to sell out so make sure to purchase your tickets before they're gone! You don't want to miss Goh Ballet's traditional rendition of this classical masterpiece.

Goh Ballet's *The Nutcracker* is also proud to announce the support of an all-new Production Title Sponsor, De Beers Diamond Jewellers.

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“We would like to offer recognition and sincere thanks to De Beers Diamond Jewellers, for demonstrating corporate care and leadership in supporting the arts.” adds Ms. Goh.

Dates and Times of Performances:

December 15, 16, 19 and 20 at 7:30pm

December 17 at 2:00pm and 7:30pm

December 18 at 3:00pm and 7:30pm

Location:

The Centre in Vancouver for Performing Arts

777 Homer Street

Vancouver, BC

For more information and to purchase tickets, visit: www.GohNutcracker.com/

About Goh Ballet:

Since 1978, Vancouver, Canada has been home to the Goh Ballet, a vibrant, innovative and diverse dance organization. Under the direction of Chan Hon Goh since 2010, the organization is following the vision of its founders while expanding on current artistic aspirations. A company that pursues technical and artistic excellence while raising cultural awareness in our communities through performance productions, the Goh Ballet is synonymous with excellence, training talent and fostering the presentation of classical ballet. It provides extraordinary opportunities for dancers to reach their full potential, while contributing to the artistic well being of our city and country. At the forefront of the arts community, Goh Ballet has been invited to perform around the world, including tours to the People’s Republic of China, Hong Kong, Malaysia, Singapore, Japan, France and the U.S.A.

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